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Customer No. 22,852
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In re Application of:)
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Hon SHIN et al.) Group Art Unit: 1743
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Application No.: 09/496,408) Examiner: Bex, Patricia K.
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Filed: February 2, 2000)
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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR)
EJECTING SAMPLE WELL)
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of April 9, 2002. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

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Total	28	-	36	0	x \$ 18	\$ 0.00
Indep.	2	-	5	0	x \$ 84	0.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$280	
Subtotal						\$ 0.00
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity						-
TOTAL						\$ 0.00

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AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated April 9, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 32-39 without prejudice or disclaimer and amend claims 1, 27, and 28 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A heating apparatus for biological samples, comprising:
a sample block having a plurality of openings for receiving sample wells of a
sample well tray therein, the sample wells being configured to contain a sample; and

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